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SUPPLEMENTAL REISSUE DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.175(b)(1)

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

I, Kip Van Steenburg, declare that I am the named inventor of U.S. Patent No. 5,802,641 and of this application to reissue U.S. Patent No. 5,802,641; that my citizenship, residence, and post office address are as stated below; and that I verily believe that U.S. Patent No. 5,802,641 is partly inoperative by reason of my claiming less than I had a right to claim in the patent.

I claimed less than I had a right to claim in U.S. Patent 6,822,530 for at least the

following reason:

I failed to claim claim 14's leg positioning apparatus comprising a mounting device configured to be attached to a surgical table, a support device having a longitudinal axis, the support device being hollow, a clamping device for mounting a proximate end of the support device to the mounting device having a first axis transverse to said longitudinal axis, the clamping device being configured to selectively simultaneously clamp the motion of the support device about the first axis and about a second axis transverse to both the first axis and the longitudinal axis and to selectively simultaneously release the motion of the support device for movement about said first and second axes, said support device being fixed in said clamping device from rotation about said longitudinal axis, wherein the clamping device includes a plurality of clamping elements, at least one first clamping element of the plurality of clamping elements is movable between a first clamping position to prevent the motion of the support device about the first axis and a first releasing position to release motion of the support device about the first axis, at least one second clamping element of the plurality of clamping elements being movable between a second clamping position to prevent the motion of the support device about the second axis and a second releasing position to release motion of the support device about the second axis, wherein the simultaneous motion of the support device about the first and second axes is permitted after the at least one first clamping device element is moved to the first releasing position and after the at least one second clamping device element is moved to the second releasing position, wherein the simultaneous motion of the support device about the first and second axes is prevented after the at least one first clamping device element is moved to the first clamping position and after the second clamping device element is moved to the second clamping position, at least one actuator device configured to move the at least one first clamping device element and the at least one second clamping device element to the respective first and second releasing positions, at least a portion of the at least one actuator device extending within the support device, an operator device situated adjacent a distal end of the support device, the handle being movable to actuate the at least one actuator device to move the first and second clamping device elements between the respective first and second releasing positions and the respective first and second clamping positions, and a leg cradle supported by the support device between the operator device and the clamping device and movable about a plurality of leg cradle

axes relative to the support device, wherein the leg cradle is movable about the first plurality of axes when the support device is clamped against movement about the first and second axes.

I also claimed less than I had a right to claim in U.S. Patent 6,822,530 for at least the following reason:

I failed to claim claim 24's leg positioning apparatus comprising a mounting device configured to attach to a surgical table, a support device comprising an elongated member having a longitudinal axis, a leg holder pivotably coupled to the support device and adapted to engage and support at least a portion of a leg of a patient, a coupler configured to couple the leg holder to the elongated member, the coupler being configured to permit adjustment of a position of the leg holder relative to the elongated member about at least one leg holder axis, a clamping device for mounting a proximate end of the elongated member to the mounting device having a first axis transverse to said longitudinal axis, the clamping device being configured to selectively simultaneously clamp the motion of the elongated member about the first axis and about a second axis transverse to both the first axis and the longitudinal axis and to selectively simultaneously release the motion of the elongated member for movement about said first and second axes, said elongated member being fixed in said clamping device from rotation about said longitudinal axis, wherein the clamping device includes a plurality of clamping elements, at least one first clamping element of the plurality of clamping elements is movable between a first clamping position to prevent the motion of the elongated member about the first axis and a first releasing position to release motion of the elongated member about the first axis, at least one second clamping element of the plurality of clamping elements being movable between a second clamping position to prevent the motion of the elongated member about the second axis and a second releasing position to release motion of the elongated member about the second axis, wherein the simultaneous motion of the elongated member about the first and second axes is permitted after the at least one first clamping device element is moved to the first releasing position and after the at least one second clamping device element is moved to the second releasing position, wherein the simultaneous motion of the elongated member about the first and second axes is prevented after the at least one first clamping device element is moved to the first clamping position and after the second clamping device element is moved to the second clamping position, and an operator device comprising a handle coupled to the elongated member

and operatively coupled to the clamping device, the coupler being positioned between the handle and the clamping device, the elongated member extending away from the clamping device beyond the coupler and the leg holder to a distal end, the handle being situated beyond the distal end of the elongated member and movable to move the first and second clamping device elements between the respective first and second clamping positions and the respective first and second releasing positions, and the handle being usable to reposition the elongated member about the first and second axes after the first and second clamping device elements are moved to the respective first and second releasing positions.

I further claimed less than I had a right to claim in U.S. Patent 6,822,530 for at least the following reason:

I failed to claim claim 48's leg positioning apparatus comprising a tube having a longitudinal axis, a mounting device configured to attach to a surgical table, a clamping device for mounting a proximate end of the tube to the mounting device having a first axis transverse to said longitudinal axis, the clamping device being configured to selectively simultaneously clamp the motion of the tube about the first axis and about a second axis transverse to both the first axis and the longitudinal axis and to selectively simultaneously release the motion of the tube for movement about said first and second axes, said tube being fixed in said clamping device from rotation about said longitudinal axis, wherein the clamping device includes a plurality of clamping elements, at least one first clamping element of the plurality of clamping elements is movable between a first clamping position to prevent the motion of the tube about the first axis and a first releasing position to release motion of the tube about the first axis, at least one second clamping element of the plurality of clamping elements being movable between a second clamping position to prevent the motion of the tube about the second axis and a second releasing position to release motion of the tube about the second axis, wherein the simultaneous motion of the tube about the first and second axes is permitted after the at least one first clamping device element is moved to the first releasing position and after the at least one second clamping device element is moved to the second releasing position, wherein the simultaneous motion of the tube about the first and second axes is prevented after the at least one first clamping device element is moved to the first clamping position and after the second clamping device element is moved to the second clamping position, and a leg holder coupled to the tube at a first distance away from

the clamping device, and an operator device coupled to the tube at a second distance away from the clamping device, the second distance being greater than the first distance, the tube extending away from the clamping device beyond the leg holder to a distal end of the tube, the operator device being coupled to the tube near the distal end of the tube beyond the leg holder, the operator device being movable to move the first and second clamping device elements between the respective first and second clamping positions and the respective first and second releasing positions.

I still further claimed less than I had a right to claim in U.S. Patent 6,822,530 for at least the following reason:

I failed to claim claim 49's leg positioning apparatus comprising a mounting device configured to attach to a surgical table, a support device lockable relative to the mounting device and releasable to rotate relative to the mounting device about a first plurality of axes, the support device being tubular and having a longitudinal axis, a clamping device for mounting a proximate end of the support device to a mounting device having a first axis of the first plurality of axes transverse to said longitudinal axis, the clamping device being configured to selectively simultaneously clamp the motion of the support device about the first axis and about a second axis of the first plurality of axes transverse to both the first axis and the longitudinal axis and to selectively simultaneously release the motion of the support device for movement about said first and second axes, said support device being fixed in said clamping device from rotation about said longitudinal axis, wherein the clamping device includes a plurality of clamping elements, at least one first clamping element of the plurality of clamping elements is movable between a first clamping position to prevent the motion of the support device about the first axis and a first releasing position to release motion of the support device about the first axis, at least one second clamping element of the plurality of clamping elements being movable between a second clamping position to prevent the motion of the support device about the second axis and a second releasing position to release motion of the support device about the second axis, wherein the simultaneous motion of the support device about the first and second axes is permitted after the at least one first clamping device element is moved to the first releasing position and after the at least one second clamping device element is moved to the second releasing position, wherein the simultaneous motion of the support device about the first and second axes is prevented after the

at least one first clamping device element is moved to the first clamping position and after the second clamping device element is moved to the second clamping position, a leg holder lockable relative to the support device and releasable to move relative to the support device about a second plurality of axes, a first handle coupled to the elongated member and operatively coupled to the clamping device, the support device extending away from the clamping device beyond the leg holder to a distal end, the first handle being situated beyond the distal end of the support member and movable to move the first and second clamping device elements between the respective first and second clamping positions and the respective first and second releasing positions, and the first handle being usable to reposition the elongated member about the first and second axes after the first and second clamping device elements are moved to the respective first and second releasing positions, and a second handle movable to lock the leg holder from moving about the second plurality of axes relative to the support device and movable to unlock the leg holder for movement about the second plurality of axes relative to the support device.

All errors in the present reissue application up to the time of signing of this declaration, and errors which are being corrected by a paper filed concurrently with this declaration which correction of errors I have reviewed, arose without any deceptive intention on my part.

Every error in the patent which was corrected in the present reissue application, and is not covered by a prior oath/declaration submitted in this application, arose without deceptive intention on my part.

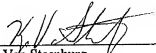
I have reviewed and understand the contents of the application to reissue U.S. Patent No. 5,802,641, including the claims, as amended by any amendments referred to herein.

I believe myself to be the original and first inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a reissue patent is sought.

I acknowledge my duty to disclose to the Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56.

I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true

and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.



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